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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Currently Amended) A method of providing a read-only record carrier on which user data can be recorded at predetermined recordable positions of subcode frames of a subcode channel after mastering of said record carrier, said method comprising the steps of:

setting the subcode symbols at said predetermined recordable positions to a first predetermined symbol value during mastering;

calculating, for each subcode frame, error detections data 10 over certain subcode data of said subcode frame including said subcode symbols set to said first predetermined symbol value;

storing said error detection data at auxiliary data positions in said subcode frame; and

setting error detection data positions in said subcode 15 frame to a second predetermined symbol value, wherein said predetermined recordable positions of said subcode frames are provided for recording of user data to said predetermined recordable postions positions during writing of data, and said error detection data positions of said subcode frames are provided for recording correct error detection data, calculated 20

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after recording said user data to said predetermined recordable positions, to said error detection data positions.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein all subcode bits of said first and said second predetermined symbol values are set to bit value 1.
- (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said user data comprise a unique identifier uniquely identifying said record carrier after recording said unique identifier at said predetermined recordable positions of said subcode frames.
- (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said subcode frames are part of a subcode Q-channel, particularly of an optical recording system for read-only optical discs.
- (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein said subcode frames comprise a synchronization field, a control field, an address field, a user data field, an auxiliary data field and an error detection data field, at least said user data field and said error detection data field being recordable after mastering.

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wherein said subcode frames are part of a subcode Q-channel, particularly of an optical recording system for read-only optical discs, and wherein subcode bytes comprising a subcode symbol from each subcode channel are set to byte value 0x47 during mastering so that, for recording user data at said predetermined recordable positions, said subcode bytes can be set to 0x07 by writing a mark at a predetermined location in said subcode byte.

7. (Previously Presented) A method of writing user data on a read-only record carrier at predetermined recordable positions of subcode frames of a subcode channel, wherein, during mastering, the subcode symbols at said predetermined recordable positions are set to a first predetermined symbol value, for each subcode frame, error detection data are calculated over certain subcode data of said subcode frame including said subcode symbols set to said first predetermined symbol value, said error detection data are stored at auxiliary data positions in said subcode frame, and error detection data positions in said subcode frame are set to a secondpredetermined symbol value, said method comprising the steps of:

recording user data to said predetermined recordable positions of said subcode frames during writing of data; and recording correct error detection data, calculated after recording said user data, to said error detection data positions of said subcode frames.

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- (Previously Presented) An apparatus for providing a read-only 8. record carrier on which user data can be recorded at predetermined recordable positions of subcode frames of a subcode channel after mastering of said record carrier, said apparatus comprising:
- means for setting the subcode symbols at said predetermined recordable positions to a first predetermined symbol value during mastering;

means for calculating, for each subcode frame, error detection data over certain subcode data of said subcode frame including said subcode symbol set to said first predetermined symbol value;

means for storing said error detection data at auxiliary data positions in said subcode frame; and

means for setting error detection data positions in said subcode frame to a second predetermined value, 15 wherein said predetermined recordable positions of said subcode frame are provided for recording of user data to said predetermined recordable positions during writing of data, and said error detection data positions of said subcode frames are provided for recording correct error detection data, calculated after recording 20 said user data to said predetermined recordable positions, to said error detection data positions.

9. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for writing user data on a read-only record carrier at predetermined recordable positions of subcode frames of a subcode channel, wherein, during mastering, the subcode symbols at said predetermined recordable positions are set to a first predetermined symbol value, said error detection data are stored at auxiliary data positions in said subcode frame, and error detection data positions in said subcode frame are set to a second predetermined symbol value, said apparatus comprising:

means for recording user data to said predetermined recordable positions of said subcode frames during writing of data; 10 and

means for recording correct error detection data, calculated after recording said user data, to said error detection data positions of said subcode frames.

10. (Previously Presented) A record carrier mastered according to a method as claimed in claim 1,

user data being recordable at predetermined recordable positions of subcode frames of a subcode channel after mastering of said record carrier, wherein:

the subcode symbols at said predetermined recordable positions are set to a first predetermined symbol value;

error detection data, calculated for each subcode frame over certain subcode data of said subcode frame including said

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- 10 subcode symbols set to said first predetermined symbol value, are stored at auxiliary data positions in said subcode frame; and
 - error detection data positions in said subcode frame are set to a second predetermined symbol value,
- said predetermined recordable positions of said subcode frames being provided for recording of user data to said predetermined 15 recordable positions during writing of data, and said error detection data positions of said subcode frames being provided for recording correct error detection data, calculated after recording said user data to said predetermined recordable positions, to said 20 error detection data positions.
 - 11. (Previously Presented) A computer program for implementing a method as claimed in claim 1 comprising program code means for causing a computer to carry out the steps of said method when said method is run on a computer.